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### REMARKS

In response to the Official Action dated December 17, 2002, Applicant amends the application and requests reconsideration. In the Amendment, claims 1, 8, 10, 13 and 14 have been amended, and claim 15 has been added. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-6 and 8-15 are now pending and under examination.

New claim 15 is supported by the application as originally filed (see, for example, Paragraph 27 of the specification).

Applicant appreciates that the Examiner has indicated claim 10 would be allowable if it is rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Applicant has amended claim 10 to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Therefore, claim 10 is allowable.

The Examiner has also indicated claims 13 and 14 would be allowable if the drawing objections are addressed. Applicant has addressed the drawing objections by amending Figure 1(a) and adding Figure 1(c). Therefore, claims 13 and 14 are allowable.

In the Office Action, the drawings were objected to for not showing the warning means, the means responsive to the presence of the abutment, and the interlock means. Applicant has added the warning means and the means responsive to the presence of the abutment to Figure 1(a). Applicant has also added a new figure (Figure 1(c)) to show the interlock means. As a result, the drawing objections are overcome.

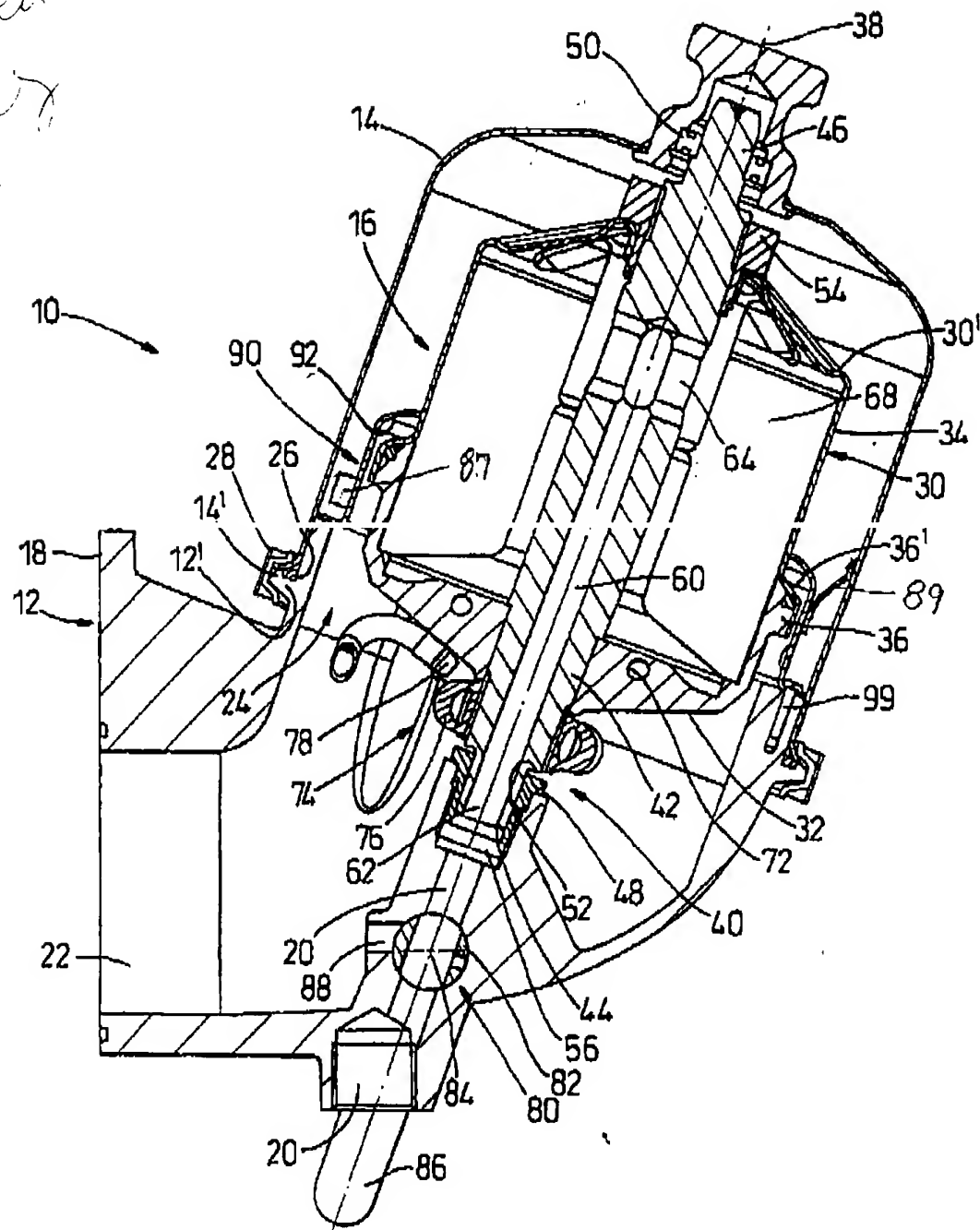
Claims 8 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. Applicant has amended claims 8 and 10 to overcome the rejection.

Claims 1-6, 8, 9 and 11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Jones* (U.S. Patent 2,321,144). For any one of the following reasons, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection.

In the response to the previous Office Action, Applicant stated that one of the structural differences between the present invention, as defined by claim 1, and *Jones* is that

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**Fig. 1(a)**

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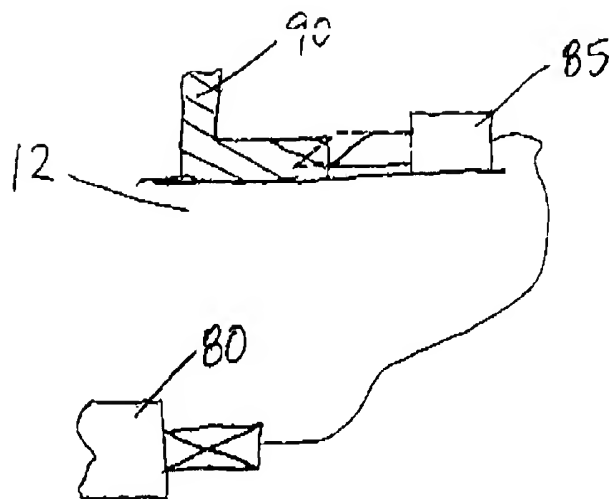


Fig. 1(c)